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SUBJ: REVIEW OF CANAL ZONE MILITARY
TRAINING SCHOOLS
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1. (C) RESPONSE TO REF AS FOLLOWS:

A. VENEZUELAN MILITARY IMET PROGRAM LIMITED IN SCOPE
DUE TO REDUCED ALLOCATION AND RESTRICTIONS ON
AVAILABILITY OF COURSES. FY PROJECTION CALLS FOR
100K CEILING TO BE UTILIZED ON PROFESSIONAL COURSES
OFFERED ON A REGIONAL BASIS TO OTHER LATIN AMERICAN
COUNTRIES IN SPIRIT OF HEMISPHERIC COOPERATION, I E
COMMAND AND GENERAL STAFF TYPE COURSES AND INTER-
NATIONAL DEFENSE MANAGEMENT COURSES. AS RESULT OF
EXISTING RESTRICTIONS, IMET PROGRAM DEVELOPED AND
COORDINATED BY MINISTRY OF DEFENSE TRAINING OFFICER AND
USMILGP TRAINING OFFICER.

B. FUNDS ALLOCATED BY HOST GOVT ON PERCENTAGE
BASIS TO EACH SERVICE.

C. HOST NOT CURRENTLY ABLE TO PROGRAM EQUIPMENT
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RELATED/TECHNICAL TNG UNDER IMET. FENCED FUNDING HAS
HAD NO IMPACT ON LOCAL PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT.
FENCED FUNDS HAVE BEEN UTILIZED AT USARSA FOR COMMAND
AND GENERAL STAFF CURSE, BUT NO FUNDS HAVE BEEN FENCED
AT IAAFA.

D. HOST HAD FREEDOM OF CHOICE FOR FY76 AND 7T. DSAA
LISTINGS FOR THESE PERIODS REFLECT HOST DESIRES. FY 77

PROGRAM WOULD EQUATE TO:

TYPE	CONUS	CZ
TECHNICAL TNG		10
RELATED TNG	2	2
PROF MIL TNG	8	2

E&F ELIMINATION OF IMET SUPPORTED TRAVEL WOULD HAVE MINIMAL IMPACT AS SERVICES SUPPORT TRAVEL REQUIREMENTS TO CONUS AND PROVIDE THEIR OWN MILITARY AIR TRANSPORT TO CZ FOR MOST STUDENTS. MUST ASSUME PROGRAM WOULD REMAIN AS LISTED IN PARA D ABOVE.

G. C A 4 STUDENTS IN CGSC
4 STUDENTS IN EDUCATIONAL MGMT COURSE
CONUS 4 STUDENTS IN CGSC (ONE IN EACH SERVICE SCHOOL)

4. STUDENTS IN INTERNATIONAL DEF MGMT
1STUDENT IN SOS
1 STUDENT IN GRAD LOGISTICS.

H. BASED ON CURRENT RESTRICTIONS, IF IMET WERE TO BAN PROFESSIONAL MILITARY TRAINING HOST WOULD BE INELIGIBLE FOR ANY IMET TRAINING

I. BY OBTAINING COURSES IN CONUS WHERE POSSIBLE AND WITH EUROPEAN, CANDIAN AND OTHER LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES.

J. BREAKDOWN AS FOLLOWS:

1. APPROX 60PERCENT ARE TOP GRADUATES OF LOCAL MILITARY COURSES. REMAINDER ARE TOP POTENTIAL LINE OFFICERS UNDER FLAG RANK SPONSORSHIP.

2. YES

K. WOULD AFFECT HOST TRAINING PRIMARILY BY GRADE STRUCTURE, CONFIDENTIAL

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I E TOP GRADES WOULD RECEIVE ENGLISH LANGUAGE TRAINING UNDER HOST SPONSORSHIP, AT CIVILIAN INSTITUTES. DESIRE TO SPONSOR LOWER GRADES WOULD DIMINISH IN DIRECT PROPORTION TI DECREASE IN STUDENT GRADE/RANK.

L. NO ADVERSE REACTION FROM HOST. WOULD AFFECT LOCAL PER DIEM ALLOCATION AS CONUS RATES ARE HIGHER THAN CZ RATES. ASSUME GOV WOULD READJUST ITS PER DIEM SCHEDULE.

2. (C) CURRENT IMET RESTRICTIONS ARE SOURCE OF IRRITATION TO GOV WHICH DOES NOT UNDERSTAND WHY US POLICY IS (IN ITS VIEW) SO ABRUPT AND UNILATERAL. SOME VENEZUELAN OFFICIALS FEEL US ACTIONS ARE REACTION TO OPEC ACTIONS. THEY DO ONOT BELIEVE THAT US IS ACTING IN SPIRIT OF COOPERATION AND VIEW 100K ALLOCATION AS TOKENISM. SUGGEST GOV HAVE TOTAL FREEDOM TO SPEND 100K ALLOCATION AS IT SEES FIT.

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